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The new assessment of real estate will show, says the Roanoke World, a decrease of not less than thirty per cent. in that city, and a marked decrease in every county from Lynchburg to Bristol and from Roanoke to the Maryland line. The country included in this belt, generally regarded, we believe, as the richest in the State, would seem to indicate a serious deficiency in the revenues of the State, but the returns received at Richmond show to the contrary, it is stated, and that an increase under the new assessment is expected, accounted for on the ground for the most part, because of the great gains in Tidewater Virginia. The statement, if true, shows that the assessors in our section have placed a valuation on lands much higher than has been done by the assessors in other sections and a remedy ought to be found to equalize better the burdens which different sections of the State have to bear. If, as the Roanoke World states, Norfolk is the only city in the State which will show an increase, then the conclusion is inevitable that Norfolk has been assessed unjustly when compared with other cities where greater prosperity is reported and especially at the city of Roanoke. That the great Southwest Virginia, rich in minerals, metals, and fine grazing and tobacco lands, should show a falling off in value and Tidewater an increase, with the reduced value in its crops and consequently of its lands, indicates that something is wrong, radically wrong, in the method of making assessments in the two sections, which ought to be corrected. The remedy we do not know, but it might be found in the appointment of assessors by the State authorities, responsible to them only for the manner in which they discharge their duties.

The Fourth of July is nearly here, but the meeting which the members of Harmanson-West Camp of Confederate Veterans assured us would be held on that day, for the purpose of raising funds for the erection of a monument to their dead comrades, seems to have been but as a school-boy's tale, the thing of the hour. The day will be celebrated however, on the Eastern Shore, as the columns of our paper indicate amid mirth and song, in feasting and gaieties, but to our shame, not in honor of the old soldier or in remembrance of the cause for which he fought and died, as was promised. Who is to blame for this neglect of so grave and important a duty? Some one can perhaps answer, but one thing is certain, the people of the county generally cannot be blamed. They are now ready and have even been willing to act in the matter and will gladly avail themselves of the opportunity, when those who should lead, so order. It is to be hoped, that the failure to act on the Fourth, does not mean, that steps are not to be taken at an early day for the erection of the monument. The old soldiers in most of the counties of the State have been thus honored—Accomac surely cannot forget her sons who died for the Lost Cause.

The growth and prosperity of the South since the war has been so wonderful, says the Knoxville Tribune, that it would be difficult to overdraw the picture or to indulge in extravagant statements concerning the same. Its great resources, advantages and possibilities furnish a theme for daily comment not only by the Southern Newspapers, but by the journals throughout the country. That the praise, which it is daily receiving, is not the result of sectional pride and enthusiasm, cannot be doubted, when it comes from all sections of the country. The following from the New York Times is well in keeping with the opinion expressed by the newspapers in the North generally:

"There is nothing in the history of the world to match the wonderful development of the South since the civil war, and especially during the last dozen years. While there are examples of increase of population and wealth in the West that are truly the pride of the whole nation, the South, it must be remembered, has almost literally risen from the grave. The devastation and exhaustion of the war, the absolute abolition of vast property interests represented by the slaves and the inevitable prostration of energies following the tremendous and unavailing struggle in the field were something unprecedented in the history of the world. From this depth the South has risen until it is to day the most promising field for honest and intelligent enterprise in the whole Union."

The communication in this issue of the ENTERPRISE in reference to the shipment of potatoes to market is worthy the attention of many of our readers and they ought to profit by the suggestions therein contained—that they will, we doubt, if we are to judge the future by the past. Experience is a teacher from which most people learn wisdom but many of our farmers, strange to say, usually so sensible in most respects, either cannot or will not learn when potatoes are ripe. "Poor stuff" seems to be one of the idols they cannot shake. If no one was injured but those who shipped the trash, we would say let them alone, but in the interest of the great body of farmers, who send their produce to market in good shape, we join in the protests which appear in our columns.

GENERAL NEWS.

The people's party of Virginia will hold a convention in the latter part of July in the interest of the "fair-elections" movement.

Senator John W. Daniel denies having any engagement to take the stump in Virginia with ex-Congressman Bryan, of Nebraska, in favor of free silver.

The seventh annual meeting of the Virginia State Bar Association will be held at the White Sulphur Springs on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, August 6th, 7th and 8th. The annual address will be delivered by Hon. Roger A. Pryor, of New York.

The County Courts of both King George and Northumberland have ordered a vote to be taken on the proposition of subscribing to the stock of the Virginia, Fredericksburg and Western railroad. The vote in both counties will be taken the latter part of July.

Rev. E. P. Wilson died suddenly at his home at Hampton Friday morning, 14th, of heart trouble. He was seventy years of age, and had been actively in the Methodist ministry for forty-six years, and for the past six years on the superannuated list of the Virginia Conference.

Mr. Hampden H. Dashiell, collector of customs at Norfolk, died suddenly Saturday morning of apoplexy or heart disease. He was sitting at his desk at the time. His assistant, Mr. Fontaine, had occasion to speak to him in regard to some business and was shocked to find him dead.

It is understood that the total amount of the cost to the State of the strike at Pocomoke is about \$20,000, just what the Governor a few weeks ago predicted it would be. There are still some troops at Pocomoke, but the expense now is quite light compared with what it has been.

Dr. Todd, of Abbeville, S. C., a brother-in-law of the late President Abraham Lincoln, now seventy-nine years of age, has gone blind. He was a division surgeon in the 69th General Longstreet, and served all through the war as a Confederate, while his brother-in-law was the President of the United States.

The Virginia State Agricultural and Mechanical Society is making extensive preparations for its annual exhibition this fall, and the indications are that it will be one of the most successful entertainments ever yet given by that organization. The premium list is a very attractive one and will be out in a few days. The fair will be held October 8th to 12th inclusive.

President Cleveland, accompanied by his private secretary, Henry T. Thurber, who has leased a cottage near the President's seaside residence for himself and family, and by Dr. Robert M. O'Leary, of the United States Army, who has recently been appointed as the confidential traveling physician of the President, left Washington Monday to pass the rest of the summer at Gray Gables, Buzzards Bay, Mass.

The labor element in Richmond will try to capture all five of the city members of the House of Delegates. They are now organizing and working to that end. The fight will not end here. Next spring the workmen will try to get control of the city government and all its departments. All the different unions are compactly organized into one central body and are now a bold gun in the position of a cannon, ready to be fired at any moment.

Those persons in charge of the movement to erect a monument to the memory of Jefferson Davis are very much encouraged. From all accounts the veterans throughout the South have gone to work since the encampment at Houston and money is steadily coming in. It is hoped to secure \$75,000 at the least, but it is expected that the sum will be much greater, probably \$100,000. The corner stone will be laid next May.—Cor. Norfolk Virginian.

The assessment returns from Buchanan county received at Richmond show a great gain. The old assessment was \$385,881 and the new is \$746,345; increase of \$360,464 or 93 per cent. Thus far complete returns have been received from Buchanan, Cumberland, Greene, Middlesex, Orange, Prince William, Wise and Warren. They aggregate \$9,659,396. The old assessment from these counties aggregated \$9,927,163, a decrease of \$267,766, or less than 3 per cent.

Dr. and Mrs. Abram M. Henkel, of Staunton, have made a deed of gift to the Confederate Memorial Association of Page county, conveying a plot of ground adjoining the town of Luray. This lot is situated on the New Market and Sperryville pike, and on it the Confederate Veterans of Page will raise a monument in honor of the gallant boys in gray. The monument is to be a handsome marble edifice of a Confederate infantryman with a gun in the position of loading. It is to be made by Herbert Barbee, the sculptor.

The Savannah News says: Georgia will have the average crop of melons this year—that is, so far as the size of the crop is concerned—while as to quality is expected that they will be ahead of the average. The reports received show that there are 12,000 acres planted along the lines of the Plant system in Georgia, all in the southwestern portion of the State. The melons average about a car to two acres, which means that Georgia will yield this year about 6,000 cars. From 1,000 to 1,200 melons are usually loaded in a car, the number depending on the size of the melons.

The greatest gathering of Baptists in the nation's history will assemble in Baltimore a month hence. The occasion will be the Young People's annual convention, which meets Thursday, July 18th, and will continue in session four days. All Young People's Societies, of whatever denomination, in the constitution, Baptist Churches of Virginia, and churches having no such organizations, are entitled to representation. There will be one delegate for every twenty members or fraction thereof in each Young People's Society, and churches having no such societies may send one for every fifty members.

"The month of May is just over, and the story of the industrial world is a story of accelerated advances, of new mills opened, old mills enlarged, and greater and greater demands for labor and materials on every side. The truth of the matter is, the list of wage advances is getting too long for publication in an ordinary newspaper. Advances have been reported since April 1 in more than 200 different mills, factories and mines. More than 150,000 laborers are getting better pay than they were getting two months ago. All this has occurred under a tariff that was guaranteed by McKinley to ruin American industries and to pauperize American labor."—New York Herald.

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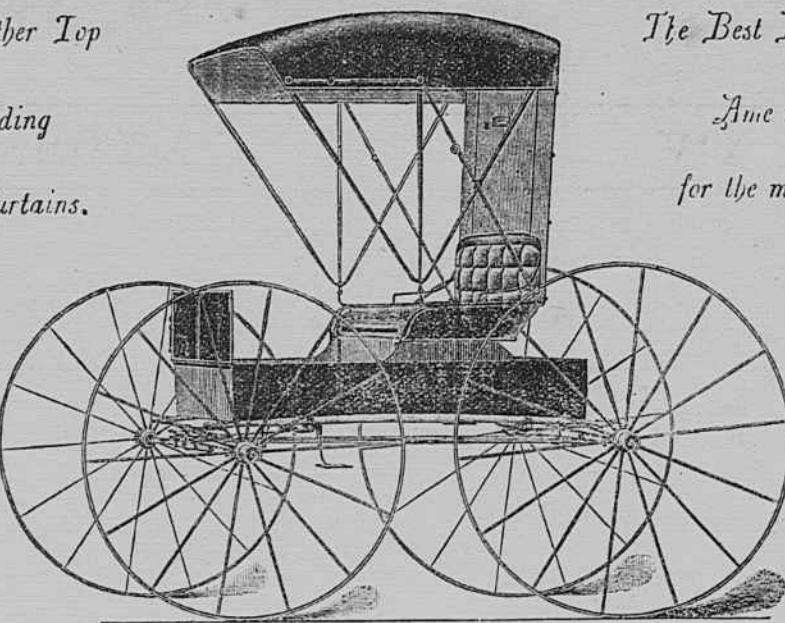
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